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NATIONAL GOITRE CONTROL PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the States where National Goitre Control Programme has been launched;

(b) the amount spent under that programme during each of the last three years; and

(c) the extent to which the programme has achieved the objectives in those States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) National Iodine Deficiency Disorders Control Programme (NIDDCP) formerly known as National Goitre Control Programme is being implemented in all States/UTs of the country.

(b) The amount spent under the programme during the last three years is as under:-

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Expenditure
2001-02	3.69
2002-03	8.68
2003-04	10.87

(c) Under the Programme, the following objectives have been achieved:-

i. A quantity of 42.4 lakhs MT of iodised salt was distributed to various States/UTs.
ii. Resurveys conducted in some of the districts in the country indicated the significant reduction in the prevalence of Iodine Deficiency disorders as a consequence of the programme, and
iii. Almost all the States/UTs in the country have banned the use of non-iodised salt for edible purposes.